Amendments to the Claims

1. (Currently amended) A ~~devise~~ device for watering vegetation comprising

(A) a cylindrical tube ~~that can be laid flat and rolled up, said tube having a watertight seal~~ having two ends, where no surface on the inside of said tube contacts a surface on the opposing side of said tube except about 2 to about 6 inches from each end of said tube, where a watertight seal that extends from the bottom of said tube to the top of said tube is formed between opposing surfaces of the inside of said tube, ~~thereby providing~~ forming a compartment inside said tube and leaving a flap of said tube about 2 to about 6 inches long at each end of said tube;

(B) means for attaching said flaps to stakes that can be driven into the ground, whereby said stakes hold the ends of said tube higher than rest of said tube;

(C) one or two openings ~~along the length of said tube~~ into said compartment at or near said seals where said tube is higher than at the middle, through which water can be admitted into said ~~tube~~ compartment; and

(D) at least one drip emitter ~~in said tube, opposing said openings,~~ into said compartment, at or near the base of said tube, from which water ~~can exit~~ exits said tube, whereby when said tube is filled with water said tube assumes a cross-sectional shape that is wider than it is high and when said tube is empty it may be laid flat and rolled up.

2. (Currently amended) A ~~devise~~ device according to Claim 1 wherein said tube is made of plastic.

3. (Currently amended) A ~~devise~~ device according to Claim 2 wherein said tube is made of low density polyethylene.

4. (Currently amended) A ~~devise~~ device according to Claim 2 wherein said opening(s) is sealed by means of a zipper ~~locks~~ lock.

5. (Currently amended) A ~~devise~~ device according to Claim 1 wherein said opening(s) is sealed by means of a removable ~~caps~~ cap.

6. (Currently amended) A ~~devise~~ device according to Claim 1 wherein said opening(s) is unsealed.

7. (Currently amended) A ~~devise~~ device according to Claim 1 wherein ~~said flaps have~~ horizontal slits ~~though which~~ extend part of the way across said flaps, whereby said stakes ~~can~~ may be inserted through said slits.

8. (Currently amended) A ~~devise~~ device according to Claim 1 wherein said emitters comprise coiled tubing.

9. (Currently amended) A ~~devise~~ device according to Claim 1 wherein said emitters comprise puncture holes.

10. (Currently amended) A ~~devise~~ device according to Claim 1 wherein said tube is about 6 to about 14 inches in diameter.

11. (Currently amended) A ~~devise~~ device according to Claim 1 wherein said tube is about 2 to about 36 feet long.

12. (Currently amended) A ~~devise~~ device according to Claim 1 wherein said tube is colored to prevent the growth of algae.

13. (Currently amended) A ~~devise~~ device according to Claim ~~1~~ 7 wherein said ~~means for attaching joins together flaps from at least two tubes~~ horizontal slits are aligned in each flap so that a single stake may be inserted through the slits in two flaps.

14. (Currently amended) A ~~devise~~ device according to Claim 13 wherein said tubes are joined in a line by attaching the flaps of two tubes to a single stake.

15. (Currently amended) A ~~devise~~ device according to Claim 13 wherein ~~said tubes are joined in~~ a single tube is formed into a circle by inserting a single stake through the slits in the flaps at both ends of said tube.

16. (Currently amended) A ~~devise~~ device according to Claim 1 wherein said tube is rolled up.

17. (Currently amended) A ~~devise~~ device according to Claim 1 wherein ~~said seals are linear, said openings are aligned with one end of said seals, and said drip emitters are aligned with the other end of said seals~~ there are two openings at or near the top of said tube, each within about one inch from a seal, whereby water is admitted into said tube through one opening while air leaves said tube through the other opening.

18. (Currently amended) A ~~devise~~ device according to Claim 1 wherein each ~~openings~~ opening is within about an inch from a seal.

19. (Currently amended) A ~~devise~~ device for watering vegetation comprising

(A) ~~a~~ at least two cylindrical ~~tube that can be laid flat and rolled up, said tube having a watertight seal~~ tubes, each tube having two ends, where no surface on the inside of said tube contacts a surface on the opposing side of said tube except about 2

to about 6 inches from ~~each end, thereby providing~~ each end of said tubes, where a watertight seal that extends from the bottom of said tubes to the top of said tubes is formed between opposing surfaces of the inside of said tubes, forming a compartment and leaving a flap of said tubes about 2 to about 6 inches long at each end of said tubes, where flaps of said tubes are joined together at junctures;

(B) at least two stakes that can be driven into the ground;

(C) horizontal slits ~~through the central portions of~~ that extend part of the way across said flaps, through which said stakes ~~can be~~ are inserted, where at each juncture a single stake is inserted through the horizontal slots of all the flaps at that juncture, whereby said stakes hold the ends of said tubes higher than the rest of said tube;

(D) two ~~opposing~~ openings into said compartments at or near the top of said tubes, each within about 1 inch from a seal, ~~through which~~ where said tubes are higher than at the middle, whereby water ~~can be~~ is admitted into said ~~tube~~ compartment through one opening while air leaves said tubes through the other opening; and

(E) ~~means for sealing said openings; and~~

~~(F)~~ at least one drip emitter ~~in~~ at or near the base of said ~~tube~~ tubes from which water ~~can exit~~ exits said ~~tube~~ tubes, whereby when said tubes are filled with water said tubes assume a cross-sectional shape that is wider than it is high and when said tubes are empty they may be laid flat and rolled up.

20. (Currently amended) A ~~devise~~ device for watering vegetation comprising

(A) a single cylindrical tube ~~that can be laid flat and rolled up~~ in the shape of a torus, said tube having

(1) ~~two parallel watertight linear seals~~ two ends, where no surface on the inside of said tube contacts a surface on the opposing side of said tube except about 2 to about 6 inches from the ends of said tube, ~~thereby providing a flap at each end of said tube, where said flaps have at least two slits therethrough;~~, where a watertight seal that extends from the bottom of said tube to the top of said tube is formed between opposing surfaces of the inside of said tube, forming a compartment and leaving a flap of said tube about 2 to about 6 inches long at each end of said tube, where said flaps overlap;

(2) horizontal slits that extend part of the way across said flaps;

(3) two ~~opposing~~ openings ~~in~~ into said compartment at or near the top of said tube, each within about 1 inch from a seal, ~~through which~~ whereby water ~~can be~~ is admitted into said tube ~~, where said opening are aligned with one end of said linear seals~~ through one opening while air leaves said tube through the other opening; and

~~(3)~~ (4) at least ~~two~~ one drip ~~emitters in~~ emitter at or near the base of said tube from which water ~~can exit~~ exits said tube; and

(B) ~~two stakes that can be~~ a single stake inserted through said slits of both flaps of said tube and driven into the ground, where said stake holds the ends of said tube higher than rest of said tube~~; and~~

~~(C) removable caps or zipper locks for sealing said openings~~, whereby when said tube is filled with water said tube assumes a cross-sectional shape that is wider than it is high and when said tube is empty it may be laid flat and rolled up.